Deaths due to drunken driving

735. SHRI N.R. GOVINDARAJAR: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that over 15 per cent of all road deaths in our country are caused by people driving under the influence of alcohol and about one lakh people die in road accidents in our country every year;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Law Commission has drafted a new traffic discipline report that sets stringent penalties for traffic violators on Indian roads; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIAPPA): (a) No Sir. As per the latest reported available data, the total number of person killed in the road accidents on account of drunken driving during the calendar year 2006 was 8313, which is about 7.86% of the total persons killed (1,05,749) in road accidents during the same year. It is, however, a fact that during the year 2006 (latest available data), 1,05,749 persons were killed in road accidents.

(b) The total number of Road accidents, persons killed in road accidents, total number of road accidents caused due to drunken driving and the total number of persons killed on roads due to drunken driving during the last three calendar years (2004,2005, & 2006) were as under:

Year	Total No. of Road accidents	Total number of persons killed in road accidents	Total number of road accidents caused due to drunken driving	Total number of persons killed on account of drunken driving	Percentage of persons killed due to drunken driving
2004	429910	92618	22386	6438	6.95%
2005	439255	94968	26375	8090	8.52%
2006	460920	105749	28373	8313	7.86%

(c) and (d) This Ministry has recently received a consultation paper on legal reforms to combat road accidents from Law Commission of India for seeking views/comments. However, this Ministry has not received any new traffic discipline report drafted by the Law Commission of India.

Road projects in Arunachal Pradesh

736. SHRIMATI JAYA BACHCHAN: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of projects currently in progress in Arunachal Pradesh and the total length of roads proposed to be built there;

(b) whether any time-frame has been fixed for the purpose; and

(c) if so, the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIAPPA): (a) to (c) This Ministry is concerned with the improvement and up keep of National Highways and improvement of identified State Roads, General Staff Roads Strategic Roads and roads under Special Accelerated Road Development Programme in the North Eastern (SARDP-NE) and Centrally Sponsored Scheme *viz.* Central Road Fund (CRF), Inter-State Connectivity (ISC) & Economic Importance (EI). The number of projects currently in progress and the time frame for their completion under National Highway (Original), SARDP-NE and the project of ISC/EI is given in the statement (*See* below). In respect of the work of State roads funded under CRF, 21 works aggregating to about 170 km. length of State roads are in progress. Ministry does not stipulate completion date for CRF works and it is decided by the State Government, depending upon the availability of funds.

Statement

Road Projects in Arunachal Pradesh

List of projects currently in progress and time frame for their completion under national highway

Sl. No.	Category	Nos.	Length in km.	Time frame for completion up to
1	National Highway (Original)	3	25.485	March, 2010
2	SARDP-NE	6	102.850	March, 2010
3	Inter-State Connectivity/ Economic Importance Schemes	4	54.715	March, 2010

Funds for maintenance of NHs

†737.MISS ANUSUIYA UIKEY: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the funds given per kilometer to the States for maintenance of National Highways (NHs) and the norms set in this regard;

(b) the details of funds given by Government in last three years, State-wise;

(e) whether all the States have been provided equal funds for maintenance of NHs as per the norms; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor and whether States including Madhya Pradesh also would be provided equal funds as per the norms?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIAPPA): (a) to (d) The funds for Maintenance & Repair (M&R) of National Highways (NHs) are allocated to the States under Ordinary Repairs (OR), Periodical Renewal (PR), Special Repairs (SR) and Emergent Repairs for carrying out M&R activities such as routine maintenance, provision of renewal coat to the wearing surface at a predetermined frequency, urgent repair works and immediate repairs to roads affected by heavy rains, floods, cyclone, landslides, etc. on the basis of the prescribed norms of the Ministry, overall availability of funds and

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.